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(*b*) what was the award; and

(*c*) what steps the Government have taken to help the implementation?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" (*a*) Yes, Sir.

" (*b*) The award was in terms of the compromise reached between the parties as set out in the paper[a] placed on the table of the House.

" (*c*) On the 8th July 1954, the Government ordered the recovery of amounts due to nine workers of Central Talkies who filed their claims. The Collector of South Kanara reported subsequently that the amounts due to the nine workers of the Central Talkies totalling Rs. 1,980 have been paid by the Proprietor to the workers."

UNSTARRED QUESTIONS.

Supply of mid-day meals to Harijan pupils.

32 *Q.*—SRI P. G. MANICKAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport be pleased to state—

(*a*) the amount proposed to be spent for providing mid-day meals to Harijan pupils in 1954–55 in each district; and

(*b*) to how many pupils in each district?

A.—(*a*) & (*b*) A statement[b] is placed on the table of the House.

Drinking water-wells for Harijans in Coimbatore district.

33 *Q.*—SRI P. G. MANICKAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport be pleased to state—

(*a*) the amount sanctioned for digging drinking water wells for Harijans by the District Harijan Welfare Department, Coimbatore, in the year 1953–54;

(*b*) the amount actually spent on that account;

(*c*) the amount allotted for the above purpose in the year 1954–55;

(*d*) how much amount has been spent so far; and

(*e*) the number of new wells dug during the year 1953–54 and the number of old wells repaired?

A.—(*a*) Rs. 4,550.

(*b*) Rs. 3,899.

(*c*) Rs. 4,100.

(*d*) Rs. 158.

(*e*) New well dug—1.

Old wells repaired—2.

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[a] Printed as Appendix II on page 59 infra.

[b] Printed as Appendix III on page 60 infra.

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Employment of Harijans in the Harijan Welfare Department.

34 *Q.*—Sri A. RATNAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport be pleased to state—

(*a*) the total strength of the staff employed in the offices of the Director of Harijan Welfare and District Harijan Welfare Officers in the State; and

(*b*) the number of them belonging to Backward Classes and Harijan Communities?

A.—(*a*) 245.

(*b*) Backward Classes—71; Harijans—30.

Number of District Welfare Officers and mid-day meals contractors belonging to the Harijan community.

35 *Q.*—Sri M. KATTIMUTHU : Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport be pleased to state how many Harijans are District Harijan Welfare officers and mid-day meals contractors in each district, districtwar?

A.—None of the present District Harijan Welfare officers is a Harijan. The number of mid-day meals contractors from the Harijan community is given in the statement below :—

District.	Number of Harijans as mid-day meals contractors.
South Kanara	12
Madurai	12
South Arcot	173
Tirunelveli	12
The Nilgiris	...
North Arcot	147
Ramanathapuram	10
Malabar	15
Salem	16
Tiruchirappalli	120
Chingleput	112
Coimbatore	9
Tanjore	146
Madras	5
Total	789

Installation of radio sets in South Arcot district.

36 *Q.*—Sri M. KATTIMUTHU : Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(*a*) how many radio sets were installed in each taluk in South Arcot district;

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(b) the location of these sets;

(c) whether the Seppakkam Panchayat Board has remitted money for the installation of a radio set in Seppakkam village; and

(d) if so, when it will be installed?

A.—(a) The particulars as on 1st December 1954 relating to Community Receiver sets installed in each of the taluks of the South Arcot district are annexed [a].

(b) The particulars of location of these sets as on 1st December 1954 and annexed [a].

(c) The Seppakkam Panchayat remitted a sum of Rs. 750.

(d) A radio was installed on 20th November 1954.

Assignment of cultivable waste lands to the landless poor in South Arcot district.

37 Q.—SRI A. RATNAM: Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government have taken any steps for the assignment of cultivable waste lands in the South Arcot district to the landless poor in that district;

(b) whether any separate staff has been appointed to take up the work of assignment;

(c) the extent of land available for cultivation and the extent of land unfit for cultivation in the district at present; and

(d) the extent of land fit for cultivation under Sivoijama (unauthorized) cultivation?

A.—(a) & (b) Yes.

(c) Extent of land available for cultivation—94,908 acres.
Extent of land unfit for cultivation—306,975 acres.

(d) 49,476 acres.

Refund of deposit for temporary electric supply.

38 Q.—SRI D. K. RAJU: Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(a) whether any maximum time-limit is allowed to the executive staff of the Electricity department to provide temporary electric supply to the applicants;

(b) if so, what the limit is;

(c) whether there is any time-limit to refund the deposit amount back to the consumer, after disconnecting the temporary supply;

[a] Printed as Appendix IV on pages 60-63 infra.

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(*d*) the total amount held by the Government pending refund of temporary connection deposit amounts after disconnecting service from 1950; and

(*e*) since how long the deposit amounts have been pending with the Government after disconnection?

A.—(*a*) & (*b*) No time-limit has been fixed in the Electricity department for complying with the request of parties for temporary supplies but action is taken to comply with such requests as quickly as possible.

(*c*) The deposits in the case of temporary electric supplies are ordinarily to be adjusted within fourteen days from the date of disconnection of such services. However in actual practice, this period has been found to be too short and the field staff of the Electricity department have been recently instructed to adjust the deposits within a month from the date of disconnection of services.

(*d*) Out of the deposit amounts paid during the period 1st April 1950 to 1st September 1954, a sum of Rs. 94,317 is pending adjustment.

(*e*) The amounts have been pending adjustment for periods ranging from three weeks to three years and four months.

Grant of loan to private soap factories.

39 *Q.*—SRI P. KUNHIRAMA KIDAV: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have given any loan to soap factories managed by private agencies; and

(*b*) if so, their names and the amount given to each agency during the period from 1950 to 1954 up to date?

A.—(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The information is furnished below:—

Name of company.	Amount given. RS.
(1) The Techno Chemicals, Limited, Kozhikode, Malabar district	1,00,000
(2) The Vegetable Oil Products, Limited, Pollachi	50,000

Opening of new schools to provide employment for the educated unemployed.

40 *Q.*—SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP: Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(*a*) how many new schools, in each district of the State, have been opened or are proposed to be opened under the scheme sponsored by the Government of India for providing employment to the educated unemployed;

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(b) the procedure followed in selecting such schools;

(c) who makes the appointment of teachers; and

(d) how many of those appointed are graduates?

A.—(a) The allotment of schools made to the various districts are as follows:—

Name of the district.	Number of schools allotted.
1 Chingleput	143
2 South Arcot	236
3 Tanjore	196
4 Madurai	226
5 Ramanathapuram	229
6 Tirunelveli	47
7 North Arcot	218
8 Salem	633
9 Coimbatore	326
10 Tiruchirappalli	312
11 The Nilgiris	1
12 Malabar	90
13 South Kanara	143
Total ...	2,800

(b) Under the scheme, schools are opened only in school-less centres in rural areas with a population of 500 and above. In the matter of opening schools priority would be given to school-less centres with larger population. The allotment of schools to the various districts was made on the basis of the school-less centres in each district. A school-less centre having a population of over 500 should not have a school within a radius of one mile to get entitled for a school under this scheme.

(c) The district board is the appointing authority. The district boards call for lists of suitable candidates from the Employment Exchanges and make the selection.

(d) The information is not available at present. It can be furnished only after all the schools are opened.

Communal lands in South Kanara district.

41 Q.—Sri M. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR: Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state the extent of communal lands talukwar, in South Kanara district?

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A.—The particulars regarding the extent of communal lands in the South Kanara district are given below :—

			ACS.
1	Mangalore taluk	...	1,950·00
2	Puttur taluk	... ...	2,100·02
3	Belthangady taluk	...	559·44
4	Kasaragod taluk	...	12,028·78
5	Udipi taluk	... ...	1,425·70
6	Karkal taluk	... ...	2,215·26
7	Coondapur taluk	...	384·45
8	Hosdrug sub-taluk	...	1,008·12

Motor accidents on the Cannanore-Baliapatam ***main road.***

42 *Q.*—**Sri** K. P. GOPALAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport be pleased to state—

(*a*) how many motor accidents took place on the Cannanore-Baliapatam main road during 1951–54; and

(*b*) how many cases were charged by the Police?

A.—(*a*) Ten.

(*b*) Five.

Demands of the Madras Provincial Highways Maistries' Association.

43 *Q.*—**Sri** K. C. GOPALAN UNNI : Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have considered the memorandum submitted by the Madras Provincial Highways Maistries' Association to the Government in July 1951 through a deputation led by Sri K. Kamaraj Nadar;

(*b*) if so, what their demands were; and

(*c*) how many and what demands have been conceded?

A.—(*a*) A copy of the memorandum was received by the Government and the requests therein were considered.

(*b*) The requests of the Association were—

(1) Change of designation of "Road maistries" into "Road Inspectors".

(2) Retention of maistries as a permanent cadre of the Highways department, i.e., regularization of their services.

(3) Grant of graded system of pay and time-scale of increment to the maistries.

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(4) Grant of leave benefits.

(5) Grant of cycle allowance.

(c) Orders complying with the request for change in the designation of "Road Maistries" to "Road Inspectors" were recently issued. The other requests, which are connected with the question of provincialization or regularization of the services of the maistries, will be considered along with that question, which is under examination.

Cement factories in the State.

44 Q.—SRI C. RAJAM RAMASWAMY: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(a) the number of cement factories in Madras State;

(b) the total production for the year ended 31st December 1953; and

(c) the total number of men employed in each factory?

A.—(a) There are three cement factories in this State, one at Madukkarai (Coimbatore district), one at Dalmiapuram (Tiruchirappalli district) and the third at Thalaiyuthu (Tirunelveli district).

(b) & (c) The total quantity of production and the average number of persons employed each day in the factories for the year ended 31st December 1953 are as follows:—

Name of the factory.	*Total production.*	*Average number of persons employed.*	
		Men.	*Women.*
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
	TONS.		
Madukkarai ..	232,723	736	22
Dalmiapuram ..	220,256	1,108	Nil.
Thalaiyuthu ..	89,107	492	Nil.
Total ..	542,086		

The Soviet Cultural Delegation.

45 Q.—SRI P. JEEVANANDAM: Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government sought the co-operation of individual artists, music sabhas, and dramatic associations and kazhagams in regard to the reception accorded to the Soviet Cultural Delegation during their visit to the City of Madras in 1953; and

(b) if so, names of the individuals and organizations which participated in this reception?

A.—(a) On the request of Srimathi Rajkumari Amrit Kaur, Chairman of the Central Committee, the Governor of Madras constituted a Regional Committee for Madras

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with Sri M. Bhaktavatsalam as Chairman, Srimathi Tara Cherian, Secretary and eighteen other members to look after the Soviet Cultural Delegation. All arrangements connected with reception, boarding, lodging, arrangements for performances, etc., were made by that Regional Committee.

(*b*) Does not arise.

[*Note*.—An asterisk (*) at the commencement of a speech indicates revision by the Member.]

III.—ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS *RE*

(1) ALLEGED MURDER OF A COMMUNIST WORKER BY WORKERS OF THE ANTI-COMMUNIST FRONT IN NORTH MALABAR.

12 noon. MR. SPEAKER :—" The hon. Member Sri K. P. Gopalan has given notice of an adjournment motion which reads as follows :—

'This Assembly stands adjourned to discuss an urgent matter of public importance, namely, the cold-blooded and deliberate murder in broad day light of Sree Unnarakutty, a Communist worker and Kisan leader, on 31st January 1954, by workers of Anti-Communist Front instigated by Nalupurayil Kunhi Raman Vaidyar, a big landlord and notorious oppressor of the people, in the bazaar at Atholi, Kurumbranad taluk, North Malabar, as a result of the callous indifference of the Police authorities in Malabar and also as a result of the policy of the Govenment in encouraging the violent anti-people activities of the Anti-Communist Front in Malabar resulting in this murder which causes great anxiety in the mind of the general public in the district.'

" The adjournment motion is in regard to a murder case. I cannot understand how the Government are responsible for this. Instead of ruling it out of order, I would like to advise the hon. Member to put a short notice question or, if the matter is not *sub judice*, and if the hon. Member wants a half hour debate, I have no objection to it."

SRI M. KALYANASUNDARAM :—" கனம் சபாநாயகர் அவர்களே, இது ஒரு சாதாரண கொலை சம்பந்தப்பட்டதாக இருந்திருந்தால் பிரச்னை வேறு. ஆனால் திட்டவட்டமாக கம்யூனிஸ்டு எதிர்ப்பு முன்னணி என்று ஒன்றை அமைத்துக்கொண்டு இம்மாதிரியாக கம்யூனிஸ்டு ஊழியர்களை தாக்கி வருகிறார்கள். திட்டம் போட்டே 'கம்யூனிஸ்டுகளை தாக்க வேண்டும், கொலை செய்யவேண்டு' மென்று பல நடவடிக்கைகள் எடுத்துக்கொண்டிருக்கிறபோது ஸ்தலப் போலீஸார்கள் அவர்களைத் தடுப்பது கிடையாது. பட்டப் பகலில் நட்டநெடுத்தெருவில் கம்யூனிஸ்டு ஊழியர்கள் அவர்களால் வெட்டப்படு கிறார்கள். வெட்டி துண்டாடப்படுகிறார்கள். அதில் ஈடுபடுகிறவர்கள் இன்னமும் சுதந்திரமாக தெருவில் திரிந்துகொண்டுதான் இருக்கிறார்கள். இது சம்பந்தமாக எந்த நடவடிக்கையும் எடுக்காமல் போலீஸார்கள் சும்மா இருக்கிற ஒரு காரணத்தினால் இந்தக் காரியங்கள் சர்க்காரின் கொள்கையின் பிரதிபலிப்பாகவே இருக்குமோ என்ற சந்தேகம் எங்களுக்கு இருக்கிறது. ஆகையால் தான் ஒத்தி வைப்புப் பிரேரணை கொண்டுவரப்பட்டிருக்கிறது."

MR. SPEAKER :—" The Hon. the Minister for Finance wants to say something. I will give my ruling afterwards."

* THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" Sir, the Communist Party has unfortunately made this a political issue. When a murderer is a member of the Communist Party, then also it is given added importance. So also, when a Communist Party member is murdered, it is also given added importance. Unfortunately,